Press Note.

DEPOSITS FOR POWER SUPPLY TO CONSUMERS.

It has been represented to Government that deposit equivalent to two years revenue that is being collected from the prospective consumers of power supply is causing a very great hardship on the consumers. The following is issued for general information in order to clear the position.

The deposit equivalent to 2 years revenue required to be deposited with the Electrical Department by prospective consumers of power supply is intended to protect Government from loss of revenue; in case where the consumers feel unable to continue power supply for the agreed period of 5 years according to the terms of agreements entered into by them. In these days of changing trade conditions it is considered necessary that Government should have some measure of protection from loss. It is well known that the Electrical Department has to spend quite a good amount of capital before turning on service to any prospective consumer and the Department being run on commercial lines, it is inevitable that it should adopt measures to protect itself from loss. Therefore, the recovery of deposit is considered essential. With regard to the payment of deposit itself, the consumers are not required to pay the same in cash. The rules provide that the amount of deposits may be paid in the shape of fixed deposits on Co-operative Societies, or Banks or Savings Banks Accounts which yield interest on the deposits. It is thus clear that the deposits are not idle but are earning interest at the current rates to the depositor.

Under the circumstances, the procedure adopted regarding the recovery of deposit is equitable to both sides and there can be no reasonable cause for any grievance.

(P. N. No. 234—13-1-1951.)

Press Note.

The National Students Association of U. S. A. is organising a summer Seminar for foreign students at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, U. S. A., in 1951. The Seminar commences on 4th June 1951 and closes on 14th September 1951. It is proposed to depute three suitable students from India to participate in the Seminar. Necessary particulars and the prescribed application form will be published in the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 18th January 1951. Intending candidates possessing necessary qualifications should send their applications in the prescribed form to the Education Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Old Public Offices, Bangalore, so as to reach him not later than the 24th January 1951. The final decision in regard to the selection of three candidates from India will rest with the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

(P. N. No. 235—13-1-1951).

Press Note.

The question of speeding up of the disposal of the several suggestions and instructions contained in the tour notes issued from time to time was engaging the attention of the Minister for Law and Labour for some time past. With a view to achieving this object, he thought it necessary to meet all the local officers and confer with them.

One such meeting was held in the Deputy Commissioner's chambers at Mysore on the afternoon of the 12th January 1951 under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Sri K. T. Bhashyam, Minister for Law and Labour. All the local officers of the several departments were present. Sri H. M. Chennabasappa, President, District Board, Sri M. L. Nanjaraj Urs, President, District Congress Committee, and the General Manager, Mysore State Railway, were also present on special invitation. The Deputy Commissioner first explained to those present the object of this meeting and reviewed the progress so far achieved in this direction. He explained that out of the 295 items referred to in the tour notes of the Hon'ble Minister for Law and Labour issued between November 1948 and October 1950, as many as 216 subjects have been disposed of, leaving a balance of 79 subjects for disposal which related to the several departments like the Revenue, Public Works Electrical, Industries and Commerce, Education, Judicial, Medical and Public Health and the like, and that he would deal with the tour notes of the Minister for the month of November 1950, which were received recently by contacting the several officers. The Hon'ble Minister then addressed these officers and invited their co-operation in speeding up the disposal and advised them to keep in touch with the Deputy Commissioner from time to time. He then took up the subjects individually and discussed with the concerned officers, giving suitable suggestions in every case with a view to its expeditious disposal.

The meeting lasted for nearly two hours.

(P. N. No. 236—D. 13-1-1951).

Press Note.

The Cinematograph (Second Amendment) Act, 1949 (Central Act LXII of 1949) which provides for the censorship of films throughout India by a Central Board of Film Censors constituted by the Government of India comes into force in the Mysore State from to day. From this date, the Mysore Cinematograph Board ceases to function and the producers or exhibitors of films in the State who want their films to be certified for exhibition, hereafter, have to apply to the Central Board of Film Censors, Bombay, for such certification.

(P. N. No. 237—15-1-1951).

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FOREST DEPARTMENT

KOLAR FOREST DIVISION.

Brief Notification dated 4th January 1951.

TENDER FOR SALE OF THUPRA LEAVES LEASE.

It is hereby notified for general information that sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Kolar, up to 2 P.M. on 5th February 1951 for the exclusive right of collecting Thupra Leaves on all Government unoccupied lands, Amrit Mahal Kavals, State Forests Reserved lands and Plantations of Bangarpet Taluk from the date of acceptance of the tender to 30th June 1952.

Each tender must be accompanied by a sum of Rs. 25 (Rupees twenty-five) in currency notes as tender deposit. Tenders not accompanied by the earnest deposit will be summarily rejected. Cover containing the tender should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Kolar, duly registered and superscribed "Tender for Thupra leaves lease". The name and address of the tenderer should be clearly and fully given. Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer, Kolar, in his office at 2-30 P.M. on 5th February 1951 in the presence of such of the tenderers as may be present. The Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore is at liberty to accept or reject any tender without specifying any reason therefor. Within a week of receipt of notice of acceptance of the tender the successful tenderer should pay the full tender amount with the usual cesses at two annas per rupee on the full tender amount including the earnest deposit paid with the tender and execute the usual agreement on a ten annas stamp paper.

For further particulars *vide* notification dated 22nd April 1940 of the District Forest Officer, Kolar published on page 96 in Part VI of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 25th April 1940 and notification No. S. 2-9-1075-45, dated 3rd May 1946 of the Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

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TUMKUR FOREST DIVISION.

Resale Notification dated 5th January 1951.

It is hereby notified for the information of the public that the exclusive right of collecting thangadi and kakke barks on all Government unoccupied lands, Amrithmahal kavals, state forests, reserved lands and plantations of the following hoblies in the respective Taluks of the District